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Tk one crore budget for DU convocation

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The Dhaka University authorities are making all efforts for holding the first ever general convocation after independence of the country in a peaceful and festive manner.

Elaborate programmes have been taken up for successful holding of the 40th convocation, scheduled for December 18. Convocation was last held in 1970.

A central committee headed by Vice-chancellor Prof A K Azad Chowdhury and 11 sub-committees have been formed for holding the convocation. The committee and the sub-committees are now holding meetings regularly to resolve the problems and review the progress in this regard.

The day-long programme for the convocation will begin at DU Physical Health Complex at 10 am.

A colourful convocation procession will be brought out on the campus. Budget for the convocation has been estimated at Tk 98 lakh.

The DU will confer honorary doctorate degrees on Nobel Laureate economist Prof Amritya Sen and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina for their respective contribution.

Amritya Sen has consented to attend the convocation and receive the Doctorate of Science (Honoris Causa) degree for his outstanding contribution to human knowledge in general and to the discipline of economics in particular.

Honorary Doctorate degree will be conferred on Hasina for her contribution to establishment national, regional and world peace, poverty alleviation, women empowerment and democratisation of the country.

Prominent personalities in the country including ministers, chiefs of political parties, former renowned alumni, chamber leaders and senior journalists will be invited to the convocation ceremony.

Vice-chancellors of famous foreign universities including

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those in the SAARC countries will be invited on the occasion. VCs and pro-VCs of different universities in the country will also be invited.

A small booklet will be available at the convocation giving details about DU and its achievements so far and future development activities. A souvenir is also to be released on the occasion.

The graduates and the medal recipients who will be eligible for taking part in the convocation are those who got Masters degree in 1996, Honours degree in 1997, Honours and Masters degree in 1996 and 1997 from various institutions of DU, M Phil (January 1995 to June 1998), PhD (after 39th convocation in 1970), MBBS, and BDS in 1997 and 1998, BSc in Textile Technology in 1997, BCS in Nursing Science in 1997 and 1998, BSc (pass) in Home Economics in 1997, Post Graduate degree in Health Science and Research in 1997 and 1998 and those awarded gold medals after 1992.

The DU authorities have asked the graduate and medal recipients to attend the convocation programme attired in the dress to be provided by the authorities.

Interested students, who have already received their original certificate, will have to fill-up two prescribed forms for the convocation available at the office of the Controller of Examinations at the Administrative Building from the 11th of this month.